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FERRITIC STAINLESS

STEEL SHEET FOR FUEL : TANK AND FUEL PIPE : AND METHOD FOR : MAKING THE SAME

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Sir:

We submit herewith Form PTO-1449 together with copies of the publications listed therein. They are submitted to comply with the Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. Also enclosed is a copy of a European Search Report issued May 8, 2002. The enclosed publications are believed related in view of their mention in the Search Report for the reasons stated.

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